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Board approves course changes

Belk introduces proposal requiring computer literacy for graduating students

Numerous course proposals were approved at Wednesday's Board of Regents meeting. Major changes were the requirement of computer literacy for all students attaining a baccalaureate degree, and no more credit for remedial courses.

Dr. Floyd Belk, vice president for academic affairs, led the Board through a list of over 60 new courses or course changes to be implemented next semester.

Belk also announced some "miscellaneous changes" to be made campus wide.

"The first area deals with remedial courses. Some feel credits should not be honored through remedial courses for students wanting to earn baccalaureate degrees," Belk said. "This would be a major change on campus. The faculty at the College feel the remedial courses should not count toward baccalaureate degrees. If we approve this, we will no longer accept remedial credits."

Belk also introduced a proposal for requiring computer literacy.

"It is extremely important that students with baccalaureate degrees should know how to use a computer, particularly the software, in their disciplines," Belk said. "If this course is approved, we will not have a requirement that when a student leaves with a baccalaureate degree he will know how to use the machine in his discipline."

Both recommendations, for no longer giving credit for remedial courses and requirements for computer literacy, were approved by the Board.

Among the other major changes were the addition of four new courses in the commercial art program, the addition of principles of insurance and the selection of computer hardware/software were added to the school of business administration, and a course in gerontological nursing by the school of technology.

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She's Against It

State Senator Harriett Woods speaks against the proposed Harris-Stowe State College/University of Missouri-St. Louis merger at the CBHE public comment session last Thursday. (Chart photo by Daphne Massa)

Faculty Senate concludes special sessions

Specially scheduled meetings of the Faculty Senate concluded Monday as the last round of course proposals were approved.

Twenty-one course proposals were approved at the meeting.

Two of the courses, "Gerontological Nursing," from the department of nursing, and "Sociology of Health Care," from the department of social sciences, represent an inter-disciplinary approach to gerontology. Gerontology is the study of the phenomena of aging and problems of the aged.

"Latest figures indicate that Missouri ranks fifth in the nation in terms of the percentage of its population that is 60 years old or older," College President Julio Leon said, "and this trend will intensify. There is no question that gerontology is important, especially in this part of the state."

"The inter-disciplinary approach

is good," Leon added.

"Sociology of Health Care" focuses not only on gerontology, but on the "medical, social, cultural, economical, and political aspects of health care," according to Dr. David Tate, faculty senator.

In addition to "Sociology of Health Care," the Senate approved "Sociology of Work and Leisure" and "Comparative Cultures" for the social sciences department.

"Family Law," a political science course, was approved by the Senate for the department of social sciences.

Dr. Floyd Belk, vice president for academic affairs and a member of the Academic Policies Committee, said "Society has changed tremendously in the last five or six years, causing a definite need for this course."

Major changes in the machine technology curricula were also ap-

proved by the Senate.

Robert Nickoliasen, assistant dean of technology and faculty senate member, said the changes were a result of several years of study by an advisory committee.

"The changes are designed to better integrate the applications of machine technology to the theories," Nickoliasen said.

Additions to the machine technology curricula include "Intermediate Machine Tool Processes," "Advanced Machine Tool Processes," and "Production Planning and Control."

Two courses were changed, "Introduction to Machine Tool Processes," and "Numerical Control Machining."

Three courses in the machine technology curricula were dropped: "Advanced Machine Tool Processes," "Fundamentals of Cutting Tools," and "Fundamentals of Tool

Making."

A course designed to be "(The school of education's) response to the College's computer literacy requirements," according to Dr. Edward P. Merryman, dean of the school of education and psychology, "Use of Computer Software in the Classroom," was approved by the Senate.

Although it passed, controversy over the proposal was apparent because of the high course number of the class.

"Is there any equity to this proposal—is it fair?" asked Greg Hamilton, faculty senator.

"If the course becomes a computer literacy requirement," he added, "is the 400-level of the course fair for other departments?"

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Negative reaction prevalent

Speakers address CBHE report at meeting in St. Louis

By Daphne A. Massa
Editor-in-Chief

Negative reaction was prevalent at the Missouri Coordinating Board for Higher Education's public comment session on institutional purposes last Thursday in St. Louis.

Scheduled to speak were 21 persons, each of who were allotted five minutes. They could address only the institutional purposes section of the Coordinating Board's report, which was released several weeks ago.

Dr. Melvin George, interim president of the University of Missouri-Columbia, said it would be a mistake to separate the University of Missouri-St. Louis from the university system.

Besides merging the colleges, George said, "This state can do more" to help higher education rather than set it back.

"The fundamental problem is the acceptance of mediocrity," he said. "I'm tired of the attitude 'This is only Missouri.' The Board has not stressed standards of performance for students and faculty enough."

Dr. Henry Givens, president of Harris-Stowe State College, said the merger recommendation "does not significantly recognize the unique mission of Harris-Stowe College of the last 125 years."

Givens recalled alternatives that were considered some seven to 10 years ago concerning the future of Harris-Stowe. "It will be recalled that some of the very reasons now cited," Givens said, "as a basis for the merger of these two institutions were carefully considered then and subsequently discarded by the Coordinating Board for Higher Education, the state legislature, and the sitting governor."

"We at Harris-Stowe believe that those same reasons are just as cogent and valid today as they were then."

Senator Harriett Woods also spoke in opposition to the Coordinating Board's recommendation.

"It is an insult to the graduates, faculty, and students of Harris-Stowe," she said. "We should all work to generate more funds for all our campuses, not be looking at what to cut out. These recommendations offer us a meat-axe approach when what we need most are financial vitamins."

Woods continued, "The CBHE should take steps to involve the people most concerned in truly meaningful dialogue on any changes to our institutions of higher education. They should think twice before channeling minorities to one

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Parents to visit campus Saturday

College plans various activities for Family Day

Students will show parents this Saturday that Missouri Southern is "special" in many ways.

Family Day will begin at 8:30 a.m. with registration on the second floor of the Billingsly Student Center.

President and Mrs. Julio Leon will host a "Welcome Breakfast" from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. in the Connor Ballroom of the BSC.

Campus open house runs from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Persons may tour the mansion, Taylor Performing Arts Center, Spiva Art Center, Young Gymnasium, Matthews Hall, MSTV, Spiva Library, Regional Crime Laboratory, residence halls, and the Fine Arts Balcony Gallery.

The cafeteria and the Lions' Den

will be open for lunch from noon to 1 p.m.

Southern will play Wayne State in a football game that starts at 1:30 p.m. in Hughes Stadium.

After the game, students and parents can enjoy a buffet dinner on the third floor of the BSC. Spatz will provide music entertainment.

Spatz combines rhythm and style of the New Orleans street music, and it plays its own music arrangements.

The group consists of three vocalists, acoustic guitars, mandolin, ukulele, and bass.

Lydia Ruffin is a guitarist who studied voice at Mississippi State University and did graduate work at the University of Wisconsin.

Steve Mote plays guitar, ukulele,

sings, and does the group's arrangement. He studied voice at Wichita State and theory and composition at Washington University in St. Louis. He has appeared on records with Bob Abrams, Ruth Behrmeyer, Marshall Rosenberg, and Spatz.

Charlie Pfaffer is a self-taught mandolinist, guitarist, and singer. He can play any stringed instrument.

Michael Prokopf played bass for Alvin Pivil Band in the 1960's. He studied at Boston of the Berklee College of Jazz.

Spatz was acclaimed by the St. Louis Magazine to be 1983's Best Jazz Band in a city with an unsurpassed jazz history.

'Kansas City Star' editor to visit

Pam Johnson, Carthage native, is former Joplin Junior College student

Pam Johnson, assistant managing editor of the *Kansas City Star*, will speak at 1 p.m. Monday in Room 310 of the Billingsly Student Center.

Johnson, former city editor of the *Joplin Globe* and former member of *The Chart* staff, attended Joplin Junior College and Jasper County Junior College from 1964-67. She oversees *Star Magazine* and special projects as the *Star's* assistant

managing editor, a position she has held since January 1983.

A native of Carthage, Johnson received a bachelor's degree in journalism from the University of Missouri in 1969. She joined the staff of the *Joplin Globe* in 1971 and was promoted to city editor in 1974.

Leaving the *Globe* staff in 1975, Johnson became a copy editor for the *Star*. She has also served as the

Star's assistant city editor.

Johnson's visit to Missouri Southern is being sponsored by the Communications Club. A segment of MSTV's "Southern Perspective" with Johnson as guest will be filmed at 1 p.m. Monday in the television studios.

Johnson's lecture is open to the public.



Musical group

'Spatz' will provide the entertainment at a buffet dinner Saturday in the Billingsly Student Center.

Secretary of the Week

Stebbins enjoys working as maintenance secretary

'I wouldn't want to be anywhere else on campus,' says former business teacher

By Nancy Putnam
Staff Writer

There is never a dull moment at work for Janice Stebbins, maintenance department secretary.

When anything goes wrong or needs repair on campus, Stebbins is usually the first person contacted. She then makes out a work order so the problem can be corrected.

"I love working for the maintenance department," she said. "They are a great bunch of people and I have a super boss. I wouldn't want to be anywhere else on campus."

Stebbins finds it unique that her family is also at Southern. Her son, Chad, is an instructor in the communications department, and her daughter, Kren, is a junior sociology and communications major.

Before coming to Southern five years ago, Stebbins worked in the jewelry department at Newman's. She has also taught typing classes on the high school level, and she taught bookkeeping and shorthand in adult education programs. She has done substitute teaching at McAuley High School in Joplin.

Stebbins has a bachelor of science degree in business education from Em-

poria (Kan.) State University.

In her spare time she said she loves to attend flea markets in the Joplin and Springfield area. Stebbins is always on the lookout for unusual cat items, since she likes cats and collects cat objects.

"I have all kinds of pictures, clocks, ceramic, and other items that have cats on them," she said. In addition, Stebbins has three "real" Persian cats.

She also has a collection of about 50 dolls, including nearly 20 Madame Alexander dolls.

"I started getting them when my daughter was small," she said.

Although she no longer buys new dolls, she still looks for older ones at antique shows.

Besides dolls and cats, Stebbins is interested in antique jewelry.

Stebbins enjoys elderly persons and every Sunday afternoon visits Chastain's Tradition House to visit with those who do not get many visitors. She said she "tries to bring a little cheer into their lives."

"They really mean as you coming and look forward to it," she said.

Stebbins is a member of Forest Park Baptist Church. "I try to live my life as I believe God would have me to do," she said.



Workers
needed

Janice Stebbins summons maintenance workers to a repair site on campus.
(Chart photo by Barb Fullerton)

Group trying to reach city through street ministry

By Morris Priddy
Chart Reporter

Persons out on the streets Friday nights might run into a group of students talking about something different—eternity.

20/20 Vision Ministries is a local group of evangelical Christians. The name 20/20 refers to the obvious and also to Acts 20:20. The group is not composed of middle-aged preachers as someone might suspect, but mainly of high school and college age students.

"The group has approximately 12 active members, most around the age of 19," said Ernest Brown, a member of 20/20 and a regular speaker at the weekly

meetings.

Doug Harris, president of the group, helped start 20/20 in the summer of 1983. He is a certified Baptist minister and also a student at Southern.

"20/20 was started because some young men felt that Joplin needed to be reached by a street ministry," said Brown.

Although the president of the group is a Baptist, the members have come from a wide variety of denominations—Roman Catholic, Methodist, Christian, Nazarene, and others.

"It is an interdenominational religious organization dedicated to reaching everyone in the Joplin area with the gospel of Jesus Christ," said Brown.

Meetings of 20/20 are held twice a week, at 7 p.m. on Tuesdays and at 6 p.m. on Fridays. The Tuesday meeting is used for discussion among members.

"Tuesday is the meeting for fellowship and discipleship where various aspects of the Christian life are discussed," said Brown.

On Fridays the group meets again at Forest Park Baptist Church for a time of prayer before it hits the streets. Members usually split off in groups of two or three as they prepare to witness about their faith. They go to various spots of interest, such as football games, Northpark Mall, Main Street, or video arcades.

Brown said, "We go out on the streets

and share the gospel with anyone who is interested."

The responses received vary from passive indifference to attentive interest. The group has even broken up some fights on Main Street.

Like many other Christian youth organizations, the group has a board of directors. The board of directors are adults from various denominations who act as advisors to Harris.

20/20 has no discrimination because of age, sex, national origin, or race. However, the primary focus of the ministry is in reaching young persons.

Debate team takes third place in tournament

Lincoln-Douglas debate to involve 2 students

Although the North Texas State tournament was composed of the debaters in the district, the NDT (National Debate Topic) team of Bartkoski and Todd Graham won third place in the tournament last weekend.

"The colleges in our district have very good debate programs, but we beat their teams before (at Johnson County and at SMU), and we will again," said Dick Finton, Missouri Southern debate coach. "We're good," he added. Bartkoski and Graham beat Southern Methodist University 3-0 in the quarterfinals and lost to Washburn University in the semifinals. Washburn went on to win the tournament.

The next tournament scheduled for Southern's debaters is at Notre Dame. Three CEDAs (Cross Exam Debate Association) teams and one NDT team will enter the competition this weekend.

"The tournament is a highlight of the year for several reasons," according to Finton. "First, we are visiting a major university. Second, it gives the students an opportunity to see other colleges from other parts of the United States. Finally, it's the awe-inspiring, prestigious Notre Dame."

"Debaters want to do well because when you place at the Notre Dame tournament, it's impressive. Southern placed in the tournament every time it competed. The first time we were at Notre Dame I was afraid my student wouldn't do well because they were new."

Also scheduled for this week is the Lincoln-Douglas Debate, which will be on KSNF-TV at 11 a.m. Saturday and 11:30 p.m. Sunday.

"This is the first time it has been held twice, but this year's topic is pertinent," Finton explained.

The subject of the debate is Presidential elections. Scooter Turner will be making the affirmative, and Tre Hall will be making the negative on the show, titled "Southern Perspective."

Club plans Nov. 17 foreign feast

Members of the International Club at Missouri Southern are planning a Middle Eastern Feast Saturday, Nov. 17. Dinner, prepared by the students, will be served from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Baptist Student Center, 1124 North Duquesne Road.

The menu will feature Makluba, Kofta, Arabic vegetable soup, almond cake, salad, pita bread, Espresso, coffee, tea, and soft drinks.

The students are asking a \$5 donation for the meal. Proceeds will be used for activities of the International Club. Tickets are available from members of the International club or in the counseling office at Missouri Southern, Room 114 Hearn's Hall.

For further information, persons should contact the counseling office at 624-8100, ext. 229 or 259.

U.S. Navy to conduct interviews

Interviews for persons interested in a career with the U.S. Navy will be held Tuesday in Room 207 of the Billingsly Student Center.

Tom Hannon, a Navy ensign, will be interviewing any sophomore, junior, or senior who are mathematics, science, or computer science majors with a 3.0 or better grade-point average.

He will also interview any junior or senior with a 2.7 or better C.P.A. for duty, and nursing students who are getting bachelor of science degrees.

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College may receive supplemental funding

CBHE requests \$700,000 for Southern

Missouri Southern may be receiving some \$700,000 in supplemental appropriations.

Supplemental appropriations are being requested by Missouri's Coordinating Board for Higher Education for the state's colleges and universities.

Funding improvements are being sought in two areas: computer and information science and library acquisitions.

According to the CBHE's Committee on Fiscal Affairs, "During several years of tight state finances, the state's colleges and universities have absorbed many of their losses to withholdings and to inflation through inadequate expenditures for

equipment and library materials."

It was recommended that the Coordinating Board ask the new governor to request a FY 1985 supplemental appropriation totalling \$6.9 million to "enhance Computer Science and Information Science Equipment." Of that total Southern could receive \$348,180.

In the area of the library acquisition, a total of some \$10 million is to be recommended by the Board. Southern could be appropriated \$365,622 of those monies.

There has also been \$70,000 recommended for the Developmental Learning Program.



Meeting

Sandy Masur (left) and Debbie Harris meet with Congressman Gene Taylor (R-Missouri) in his Washington, D.C. office. Masur was featured last semester as The Chart's "Secretary of the Week."

Joplin Jaycees extend organization to campus

Southern chapter needs 20 paid members to be recognized as national charter member; Jaycees plan mock legislature at State Capitol

Joplin Jaycees are extending their organization to Missouri Southern after receiving a recommendation from Wally Carter, the Region 6 director for the Missouri Jaycees. Carter is also a Southern student.

"He saw this as a community in itself with enough people that there should be enough interest in this," said John Good Jr., a senior marketing/management major who helped initiate the program.

"Jaycees is a young person's leadership training organization," said Chuck Good, a sophomore accounting major who is also helping to organize the club. "We have projects that all majors can benefit from."

There are three basic goals which the work of the Jaycees' organization centers around: community development, individual development, and management development.

"A national community development project is Muscular Dystrophy. We are the third largest contributor to MDA," said John Good. "Statewide, we have our Wonderland Camp at Lake of the Ozarks for handicapped children every year, and in Joplin we have a Christmas shopping spree for underprivileged children."

Money is raised on the management level through fund raising projects and membership drives.

"The more projects you can do and make money off, the more you can do for the community that you serve," said John Good.

According to Chuck Good, this organization will serve Southern's campus mainly in individual development.

"We are going to get someone from the community or the group to teach seminars on leadership training, personal development, time budgeting, financial management, and spiritual develop-

ment," he said. "Education majors could get experience by teaching these classes, and anyone can benefit from the leadership training. We want to help students at Southern."

In November the Jaycees will have a mock legislature at the State Capitol in Jefferson City.

"We will sit in the actual state and play senators, present bills, and pass them into law," said John Good. "Afterwards they are presented to actual legislators, who try to incorporate them into actual bills and pass them through the Missouri Legislature. There will be delegates from this chapter elected, and this could be a good opportunity for political science majors."

According to Chuck Good, recognition as a campus organization from the Board of Regents is anticipated by the end of October.

"As soon as we have 20 paid members we'll send in to the national Jaycees organization to be recognized as a charter group," he said.

Any full-time student between the ages of 18 and 36 may join the campus chapter. Dues are \$20 for the first 100 members and \$23 for charter members after that.

The first meeting was held last night at the Joplin Jaycees building, located at St. Louis and Broadway.

"It is a great way to meet people and it looks good on a resume," said John Good. "A lot of companies require that you have community involvement."

Chuck Good said, "You get to do nice things for people. You get out of it what you put into it."

For more information, persons may contact Wally Carter at 782-7312, John Good Jr. at 781-0377, or Chuck Good at 649-6260.

Southern graduates work for Congressman Taylor

Debbie Harris, Sandy Masur 'love' their work

By Pat Halverson
Assistant Arts Editor

Homesickness is not a major problem for Debbie Harris and Sandy Masur, Missouri Southern graduates who work for Congressman Gene Taylor (R-Missouri) in Washington, D.C.

"I love it," said Harris. "Everything we do here centers around home."

Masur still misses Missouri and her friends, but one of the things she likes most about her job is the close contact with persons in this area.

"The thing that keeps me going is that we work closely with the Missouri office, so I feel closer to home," she said.

Harris and Masur are staff assistants. Their duties include legislative research, arranging White House tours for visitors, handling correspondence, and helping to obtain visas and passports if there is a problem.

Harris and Masur attended Southern from 1980-83. Harris graduated with an associate of science degree in general business, then joined Taylor's staff in June 1983. She heard about the job opening in a business class, and sent a resume.

"When I sent my resume, I didn't think I had a chance," Harris said.

Masur graduated with an associate of science degree in secretarial science, and was employed as secretary to Robert Nickolaissen, assistant dean of technology

at Southern, until going to Washington. Harris told Masur about the job opening.

"It was hard to leave Southern, but I wanted to go," Masur said. "I knew Debbie enjoyed it, and I knew it would be a good experience."

Both Harris and Masur feel they have learned from working for Taylor in Washington.

"It's a good experience," said Masur. "I've learned a lot about the political system. I never knew much about the government. The best part is I know I am working for someone who has the ideas we need."

"I still learn new things," Harris said. "Besides gaining experience in a professional office, I have learned about politics."

Harris and Masur plan to stay and work in Washington indefinitely. They like their jobs, the persons they meet, and all of the places to go.

"There is so much to do; I want to do all I can while I'm here," Harris said. Some of their experiences include attending a President Reagan speech, going to the Olympic ceremonies, and meeting Mary Tyler Moore.

Helping persons from southwest Missouri is still the most important part of their job. Travelers from this area are glad to talk to them.

"Washington is such a change," said Harris. "It makes people feel better to find out we're from back home."

Board OKs increase in loan funds

Appropriation recommendations to increase the level for the State Guaranty Student Loan Fund by \$50 million were approved Friday by the Coordinating Board for Higher Education.

The committee on fiscal affairs reported that the current limit on the total funds available to purchase student loans is \$11 million.

The report stated, "The current student loan program began in fiscal year 1980. Many of the students who have been helped by this program are beginning to graduate and they are entering repayment status on their loans. As a result, the total cash flow demands on the Guaranty Student Loan are increasing dramatically."

The fund, established in 1967, guarantees student loans and administers the Missouri Guaranteed Student Loan Program.

"Except for investment by the State Treasurer and operation of the loan program, including purchase of defaulted student loans," the committee said, "the Fund may not be used for any other purpose."

The committee estimated that \$20.1 million will be needed in 1985 to purchase defaulted loans and to make payments to the U.S. Department of Education. Incoming revenue should reach approximately \$30.2 in 1985 in the form of federal funds, guarantee fees, and interest income.

The committee foresees another rise in money demands for the following year.

Religious group asks for funds

Missouri Southern's Student Senate had a light agenda for Wednesday's meeting.

In the last Senate meeting, cheerleaders had asked the Senate for a reimbursement for a payment made from this year's budget, but a charge from last semester. Tim Easton, Senate treasurer, said he had talked to Dr. Julio Leon, College President, and that Leon had put \$500 into the cheerleader fund.

"He said he didn't feel it was Student Senate's place to appropriate this money," Easton said.

The Senate also gave first reading to a request from Koinonia, a campus religious organization, for funds to attend a ski retreat in Colorado. Ed Reynolds, spokesman for the group, said 25 persons were signed up to go, and that as a result the group would have to rent vehicles to attend the retreat. A request for \$500 to \$700 was given.

Lisa Funderburk, Senate president, addressed the topic of Christmas, and proposed several activities for Senate.

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In the open

Prayer, abortions not real issues

Two key "issues" exposed during the campaigns for this year's Presidential race have no business being considered as such.

These "issues" are abortion and school prayer. Over the years, government has taken control over more and more areas of our lives. Now it is tampering with religion issues.

Reagan claims he strongly opposes abortion, Mondale backs it. Reagan backs school prayer, Mondale supports separation of church and state. So what. These should not even be considered "issues" in the election.

In the Constitution, we are granted freedom of religion. If we want to say a prayer before a class begins, fine. Why does the government have to hand us that right when we have it and can practice religion in our own way already? There is no reason for the government to interfere here. We don't need a specific law stating that there must be a five-minute prayer before classes begin. This opens a whole new can of worms. There are thousands of different—and often conflicting—religions in our world. How can we regulate school prayer in a fashion that satisfies all parties involved?

The issue of school prayer has been pushed way too far. It's time our candidates for President and other top offices look at the real problems of our country, not the ones that will take care of themselves—like prayer in school.

Abortion has been so overused as a political football that the word is almost meaningless. Since when was the government given permission to decide the outcome of problems many women may be facing? Abortion may not be fair, but it should not be a legal issue. If it should be, something would have been done long ago, before millions of beings were denied the chance to live free lives.

Does the government think making abortions an illegal action will result in a lesser problem? Do government officials think the problem will take care of itself since there is a rule in the lawbooks saying no abortions may take place in the United States?

Abortion is a very controversial issue, but it should not be something political candidates throw around during a campaign. Even if it should be outlawed, it is not something to be brought out in the forefront with other issues such as the national deficit and defense spending during a political campaign.

Another problem with the abortion issue and the prayer in school issue alike is how would the laws be enforced? Who would be responsible for seeing that a prayer is said every day in class? Some schools don't even worry about saying the Pledge of Allegiance. And abortion; anyone with sense knows that illegal clinics would pop up everywhere just as speakeasies prevailed during the prohibition years.

Candidates for national office should take a strong stand on the "issues" of abortion and school prayer—a strong stand to keep them out of the political arena. Next thing we know, they will be debating over the use of contraceptives in our nation. The candidates should be more concerned with taxes, national defense, environmental problems, social problems, and civil rights.



Editor's column:

What do you want out of a college education?

By Martin C. Oetting
Executive Manager

What are you getting out of your college education at Missouri Southern?

This is a question many persons may be wanting to ask you—the college student of today.

Missouri Southern is a state-supported institution. Therefore, there are two groups of persons who have a vested interest and put money into your education here. Legislators and other state government officials often question how good an education our college students are receiving at the state's colleges and universities.

State government officials put time, thought, and money into your education here. Recently, Missouri's Coordinating Board for Higher Education released a list of recommendations concerning changes aimed at improving the state's colleges and universities. They put in much time and effort in researching data to compile these recommendations. It is obvious that state officials are questioning you on how good an education you are receiving at Missouri Southern.

Since we are state-supported, another important group of persons also have a vested interest in the College. These are taxpayers, which more or less means everybody old enough to work or go to school. Some of the funds brought in by the state through taxes come to Missouri Southern, and more specifically to you. Taxpayers are questioning you on how good an education you are receiving at Missouri Southern.

Moving closer to home, employers in the surrounding communities may be asking you the same question. They are interested primarily because you are among the possible employees of the future, assuming you choose to stay in the four-state area after graduation. They want to know how well trained you are for jobs they have to offer. They want to know that you are well educated not only in specific fields, but as a person in general.

On campus, there are also many who want to know your answer to this question. Administrators and faculty members have the responsibility of providing for you a climate for learning. Though they are not responsible completely for how much you learn, they nonetheless are interested in your answer to this question.

But the most important person who deserves an answer to this question should be yourself. What do you want to get out of an education at Missouri Southern?

Most likely, many students boast a puzzled look when faced with the question. But you must search deep down inside, and determine exactly what you want out of higher education.

On the surface, the answer usually given is "to get a degree in a specific area of field so I can get a job in that field once out of school." But is there more? Are there other purposes to higher education?

The answer is "yes." The purpose of college is to educate you in a certain field. But you should also become a more informed, more confident,

more complete person. You should be able to enhance your surroundings, your goals; and you should be able to act on goals you set for yourself. These could be career goals, or simple family goals.

Now, your reaction may be "sure, I want these things, but I'm not getting them at Missouri Southern. I don't see how I can change these things." The important thing to know here is that the opportunities are here for growth, for achieving goals, for becoming an educated, informed, and confident person. How can you enhance your education in an effort to realize these potentials before you?

First, students should seek out a faculty member who can be an intellectual mentor, an advisor, and a friend. Breaking down the strict barrier between students and faculty is important for students and faculty.

Second, become more involved in campus activities or organizations. It is a proven fact that students who are involved in activities and organizations outside of class do better in class. College is much more meaningful and worthwhile if students get involved in something other than classes. Try it, and you may be surprised.

Finally, students should get involved in the life of their college. A college cannot survive with buildings, state funds, administration, and faculty alone. There must be students. You are the lifeblood of Missouri Southern. Do what you must to enhance the life of the College.

In Perspective:

Everyone plays a part in promoting College

By Mary Craig Anderson
News Bureau Manager, Southern News Service

Promotion, publicity, public relations, image-building—call it what you will—all of us contribute to the public's perception of what Missouri Southern State College is and does.

The staff of the Public Information Office has several specific areas of responsibility. News releases and public service announcements about events and programs at the College are distributed through Southern News Service, the newly formed news bureau in the P.I. Office. College publications, including the catalog, handbooks, factbooks, recruiting materials, brochures, etc., are designed by and produced under the supervision of the Publications Coordinator. Special promotions are planned and scheduled by the Public Information Director. Sports information and publications are handled by the Information Specialist. All the staff

members are constantly involved in maintaining a good working relationship with area media representatives.

But the members of the Public Information staff are not the only ones working to create a good image of MSSC. Professors and administrators who accept invitations to speak to civic and community groups, about the College or on any other topic, are front line representatives of the College. Their audiences' perception of Missouri Southern State College is based on their perception of individuals representing the College.

Staff members who deal with the public, face-to-face or on the telephone, are in a position to create a good impression of the College many times a day. Administrators who maintain good working relationships with the business people in the community, secretaries who are pleasant on the phone, student assistants who try to be helpful—all contribute to a positive image of the

College.

And students. How do students contribute to good public relations for the College? By demonstrating in their attitudes, actions, and words that they are proud of their College, that they appreciate the opportunities for learning and growing provided by the College. Many of our students are already employed in area businesses. Others will stay in the community after graduation in return after further schooling to live and work in this area. The respect they earn as students or graduates of Missouri Southern State College will be in proportion to the respect they have shown for the College.

Administrators, professors, and staff members all contribute to the total image of the College. These efforts notwithstanding, current and former students reflect the best image of what Missouri Southern State College is and does.



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State Exposures

Many comments similar, but some too emotional

Missouri's Coordinating Board for Higher Education apparently knew what to expect at the public comment session in St. Louis last week.

Each speaker had the opportunity to address the section of the Coordinating Board's report *Strengthening the Investment in Missouri Public Higher Education Institutional Purposes and Statewide Program Review*.

Comments were similar, although some were emotionally stated, instead of intellectually stated.

Dr. Shaila Aery, Commissioner for Higher Education, listened to the speakers. After only a few speakers did she ask questions. Dr. Melvin George, Interim President of the University of Missouri-Columbia, was the first speaker. After his five minutes were up, Dr. Henry Givens, President of Harris-Stowe

State College, spoke. Both these men stated that they disagreed with the report concerning the merge of the University of Missouri-St. Louis and Harris-Stowe. But from the reaction of the Board members they already knew this would be the case. A new board member, John Koffman, apparently found himself in the same situation.

One area of the public comment the Board might not have expected was the enthusiasm this Harris-Stowe alumna, Yvonne K. Taylor, portrayed for Harris-Stowe. She brought laughter and cheers from the crowd, and even a few Board members. She spoke on how important Harris-Stowe was to its graduates.

Stephen Dougherty, deputy commissioner, appears to be somewhat "bored" by many of the speakers.



Clockwise from top: Dr. Shaila Aery, commissioner for higher education; Dr. Melvin George, interim president of the University of Missouri-Columbia; Dr. Henry Givens, President, Harris-Stowe; Stephen Dougherty, deputy commissioner; Yvonne K. Taylor, alumna of Harris-Stowe and John Koffman, board member.

Story and photos
by Daphne A. Massa

In the dormitories

First buildings were mobile homes

Nine permanent dormitory buildings erected during the early 1970's

By Randy Davis
Chart Reporter

Housing for Missouri Southern's first students was provided for athletes only. Until 1970, the only residence halls on campus were six double-side mobile homes that had been remodeled to accommodate 32 members of the athletic department.

In 1970, a loan of \$1,348,000 was approved by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development to build two residence halls at Southern. One of the buildings was originally named North Hall, but later was re-named Webster Hall in honor of State Senator Richard M. Webster of Carthage.

Webster Hall, the men's dormitory, was built to house 220 residents. The second building, named South Hall, was built to

house 110 women residents.

Construction began on the two buildings in the spring of 1969 and was completed in the spring of 1970. The only major change in plans was the elimination of a basement under Webster Hall due to lack of funds.

Webster and South Halls were not opened to students until the fall semester of 1970. That first semester, the new residence halls were filled to 85 per cent capacity. In 1971, and for each of the following years, the halls have been completely full.

In 1973 Missouri Southern administrators, realizing the need for additional housing, purchased from Holiday Inn what is now known as South Annex. Money for the project came from a fund that the Department of Housing and Ur-

ban Development had required Southern to set up in 1969. The buildings were moved to the campus and modified so each would accommodate 16 students. They, too have been filled to capacity since they were opened.

The last housing to be constructed by Missouri Southern were the 'A', 'B', 'C', 'D', and 'E' student apartments in 1980. Administrators ran a campus poll, and students seemed to be interested in the idea of small group apartment style living quarters as opposed to single or double occupancy rooms.

Administrators favored this style also, because of the efficiency of using a smaller building when providing housing for the fewer number of students enrolled in summer school. Most important to the administrators was the ability to build one small building at a time as funds were

available as compared to constructing one large building and waiting on the money. The apartment style of housing was financed by the sale of revenue bonds, and each apartment has always been filled to capacity.

Over the years there have been many changes in the residence halls. For instance, in 1970 there were no visiting hours allowed in the dormitories except for special occasions like Parents' Day. Today, however, there are no restrictions on the visiting hours of the students who live in the apartment buildings, and only a door locking curfew on the South Hall residents.

From the original two buildings housing 330 students, Missouri Southern now boasts having nine residence halls housing a total of 550 students.



A typical room in



Doug Carnahan, assistant dean of students.

Assistants have important duty of being friends with everyone, and accept much responsibility along with the job

Staff assistants say many students

By Debbie Neuenschwander
Staff Writer

According to several staff assistants, becoming a staff assistant in the dormitories is a good way to meet persons, but much responsibility comes with the job.

"People have misconceptions that S.A.'s are bad—that they're looking for you to do something bad, and it is wrong," said Sonia Higgins, a staff assistant on the second floor of South Hall.

"An S.A. is put there for the resident's own benefit, to help everyone out, not to be a policeman or guard or anything of that nature. They're there to promote a comfortable atmosphere for the residents."

Some responsibilities of staff assistants include enforcing the basic campus rules as well as keep-

ing the noise level down in the halls and individual rooms. They also become familiar with policies, services, and events on campus. But one of their most important duties is becoming friends with everyone.

"Meeting people in the bathroom is a great way to get to know everyone; you have to have a bathroom," said Sarah Schopper, another South Hall staff assistant.

Knowing every person on their wing is not an official requirement, but staff assistants usually get on a first name basis with everyone and try to learn something about them. There are wing meetings where residents have the chance to get to know one another better and discuss any problems they might have.

Respect is another important factor in making the system work effectively.

"My philosophy is to get respect for this job. To respect one another, everybody is helpful. In the dorms, everybody is helpful. I think they're too helpful. In the spring, Doug Carnahan

Residents establish new relationships

By Jeff Mills
Staff Writer

Now entering the 10th week of school, resident students living in South and Webster Halls, South Hall Annex, and the College apartments have established relationships with their roommates on a one-to-one basis, as well as group friendships.

According to freshman Cari Prewitt, "The fact that you spend so much time with your roommate, becoming friends is practically a necessity."

Living with her second roommate, Jill Belcher, Prewitt felt living alone would be "boring and depressing."

"Following a full day of classes, Jill and I sit and talk about what happened through the day," Prewitt said. "Even having someone to go to breakfast with makes getting up a lot easier."

She emphasized that companionship, compatibility and the sharing of similar interests were all variables that needed to be considered when meeting her roommate for the first time.

Living in Webster Hall poses a different situation than South Hall residency, making closeness with roommates important. Sophomore Doug Stockam, a psychology major, agreed that, "compatibility is a major criterion for choosing a roommate."

"Being able to talk to someone about problems keeps me from getting depressed," Stockam added.

Although most of the day is spent with your roommate, visitors form down the hall are in and out of your room constantly.

Stockam said, "Sometimes guys down the hall can provide as much friendship as your roommate, but knowing someone will be there to talk to is reassuring."

Located across the street from Webster Hall are the Student Resident Halls—the apartments. According to Beth Christodoulou, a sophomore Liberal Arts major, she feels the apartments "create a homier atmosphere."

"I have four sisters over here (Rae Vonier, Jerri Lynn Shelby, Lisa Kaelke, Susan Hilman); we respect each other's needs and wants and privacy—just as a family would," said Christodoulou.

A resident of South Hall last year, Christodoulou prefers the relationship with her roommates much better this semester. She feels her roommates provide a quieter, more relaxed environment to live in.

"It's much easier to study without people running in and out of your room."

Besides these resident halls, Southern offers girls an opportunity to live in South Hall's Annex. Beth Todd, a sophomore who also experienced dormitory life last year, "enjoys having time to do what she wants and not worrying about her roommate." The Annex provides individual living quarters with private bathrooms. Todd's main reason for moving to the annex was privacy.

"The annex provides a calmer atmosphere and allows me to study," Todd said. "Although it gets lonely, at times, you can easily visit another room."

With various types of housing available at Southern, resident students are provided with a number of opportunities to meet new people and establish a working rapport with a roommate.



Dormitory residents study in their room. One aspect of life many students said was difficult is studying with a lot of people in the buildings. The most important aspect, the student being able to get along with roommates. (Chart photo by Fullerton)

'To commute, or not to commute' is the dilemma

Commuters enjoy home cooking

Some students would rather live in the dormitories

By Lysa Smith
Chart Reporter

Students at Missouri Southern come from all over the four-state area.

Some of these students live in Southern's residence halls. However, many others drive to and from school every day. Students who commute have certain advantages and disadvantages.

One major disadvantage for commuters is the price of gasoline and automobile maintenance.

"If my car does start, it dies or runs out of gas before I get here," said Tim Wiley, a student from Granby, Mo.

"I enjoy the drive sometimes, but it gets old fast," said Gayle Beecroft, a freshman from Avila, Mo. "However, I'd rather wake up in my own room, and eat Mom's cooking than sleep in a dull dorm room or eat mass-produced french toast."

Some students find commuting less expensive than living in the dormitories.

"It costs \$755 to live in the dorm, but

it only costs me \$100 a month to get here, and back home again," said Sonya Townsend of Neosho, Mo. "I have to pay insurance on my car, but even dorm students have to do that."

Another disadvantage for commuters outside the immediate Joplin area is the weather.

"Last year there was a bad snow storm, and the roads were closed in the rural areas where I live. I couldn't even get to the highway," said Beecroft.

Most commuters also enjoy their freedom. "Since I drive back and forth and live at home and have a lot more freedom to come and go as I please with no curfew and no S.A. or student monitors laying on a bunch of curfews and rules on me all the time, I enjoy living at home," said Beecroft.

All in all, some students commute for financial and economical reasons, some students even commute from as far away as Nevada, Mo., Pittsburg, Kan., and Miami, Okla.

By Terri Baker
Chart Reporter

College students have to make many decisions in their college years. One is where to live; whether to commute or reside in the dormitories.

Dormitory life at Missouri Southern has its advantages and disadvantages.

Southern has two dormitories, Webster Hall and South Hall, which have single rooms designed for two persons. Five residence halls have apartment style, three-room units for four persons. Also, single rooms are available in the annexes.

The cost of residency is \$755 per semester, which does not include tuition. This fee also entitles each student to 20 meals per week. These are served in the College cafeteria.

The rooms on campus are furnished with twin size beds, study carrels, desks, chairs, lamps, wastebaskets, and night stands. Students are required to bring sheets, pillows, blankets, and all personal belongings.

"I wondered how I was going to get everything in my room," said freshman

Harley Williams after moving into Webster Hall.

The dormitories are staffed by two full-time head residents, who are assisted by 17 student staff assistants. There are staff assistants on every floor of the dormitories, and each vary in methods of enforcing rules.

Williams feels his staff assistant is "not too strict. Nothing really gets out of hand."

The students are limited on their independence. When the students first move in, they are informed of certain rules: no drugs, no alcohol, no sex, and the time allowed for visitation by the opposite sex. Students disobeying rules can be put on probation.

Television rooms and recreational areas, such as tennis courts and a swimming pool, can take up time in a dormitory student's life. The Billingsly Student center, the library, athletic events, and movies are places where some students spend their time.

Dormitory students are also provided with air conditioning, vending machines, and laundry facilities.

There is also a residence hall and a social fee of \$10 that students must pay with their residency and tuition fee. Residence Hall Association sponsors dances and other activities.

Some dormitory students feel it is unreasonable for them to commute to their home to Southern. Many students decide that living in the dormitory is much easier on them than commuting. Instead of a student driving back and forth to campus each day, he or she decide to live in a dormitory and save gasoline money. Others feel that to get away from parents and to be independent.

Living on campus has its negative aspects too. Students feel there is no privacy in the dormitory. The College is not responsible for the loss of, or damage to, personal belongings. According to some students, "Getting used to lots of outside noise is a factor, too."

Students noted that better facilities, such as change machines, larger rooms, and more privacy were needed to make dormitory life better.



Students at Missouri Southern. (Chart photo by Barb Fullerton)

Have misconceptions

you have to earn respect. That's a big part of it. You need a smoother when people get to work as long as you are adults."

new staff assistants are basically the same as the old ones."

Having staff assistants is a kind of a relief, said Karen Hill, a staff assistant. "You need someone to help you. I'm president of South Hall, but sometimes I think

nouncing that application forms are available for any student who would like to be a staff assistant during the following year. These forms must be completed and returned, along with two letters of recommendation.

After the applications are carefully read, interviews with the current staff assistants, the head residents, and Carnahan are granted. The interviews consist of the applicant being placed in several awkward situations and then asked to solve how he or she would solve the particular problem. The final selection is made after the interview.

In most cases, the punishment for violations is already set and staff assistants are required to only follow standard procedures.

"The minute you let something slide, you aren't doing your job and you might as well get out," said Schopper. "You have to be consistent and fair."

Students and faculty give mixed opinions of problem Alcohol and drugs on campus?

By Simon McCaffery
Staff Writer

It is strictly prohibited on campus grounds—both by state law and College policy—yet its presence in the dormitory rooms of Missouri Southern is a recognized fact.

While alcohol and drugs enjoy a known existence on campus, it is indistinct whether they represent a serious problem among the resident students of Southern. Opinions and views generated by students and faculty vary.

Doug Carnahan, assistant dean of students and director of housing, feels the presence of drugs and alcohol on campus is not a problem.

"It's never been a problem in my seven years, but always a concern," he said. "We have more serious problems in the halls, such as noise and loneliness, than drug or alcohol abuse. Our students are very cooperative. We do have violations, but they are minimal. Very few violations make it to my desk. Most are handled by the people over there."

Ruth Rice, head resident of South Hall for nine years, believes Southern does not have a serious problem with drugs or alcohol.

"Compared to a campus like M.U. (University of Missouri-Columbia), I don't think we have a serious problem," she said. "Comparably, there is more of a problem with alcohol than drugs. I've never had too many problems in my area."

"Over in the apartments we've had more problems because of the structure and set-up of the buildings—there's not as much contact between the S.A.'s (staff assistants) and the students."

Rice said she is pleased and confident of her student assistants and their role in enforcing the alcohol/drug policy in the dormitories.

"My staff is dependable," she said. "Anything they see, they are to report it directly to me, and I issue a warning to the student. Then we run it through the dean's office and issue a written report to the student that

is official. After three such warnings a student is out of the dormitories. So far this year, I've had no trouble, knock on wood."

While she feels there are no problems with the dormitory rooms under her jurisdiction, she cited a problem concerning the parking lot areas.

"The main area to watch and correct would be the parking lot—which is difficult to police," she said. "We have trouble in the parking lots, though I'm not going to ask any of my staff to patrol the parking lots."

Opinions among students and student assistants in South Hall and the apartments concurred with Rice's.

"Compared to other schools our problem is really minor," said Sarah Schopper, a South Hall student assistant, "if there is a problem on campus."

Maria and Rosa Alsina, students in the south and north annexes, respectfully, agreed that they had experienced no trouble with either drugs or alcohol in rooms.

"I haven't had any trouble so far this year," said Rosa Alsina. "I hope it stays that way."

Sherry Bogart and Debby Arnold, two students living in South Hall, agreed they did not see a major problem at Southern.

"No, I don't think there's a problem on campus," said Bogart.

"I never have seen it (drugs or alcohol) on campus and in the dorms," Arnold said.

However, the same conditions do not seem to exist in Webster Hall and the five apartments.

"I know that people use alcohol and drugs in their rooms from hearing the students talk about it," said a student living in Webster Hall who preferred to remain anonymous. "They don't practice it in the presence of those who don't—they stay in closer groups. Drugs and alcohol are never excessive."

"In high school every one seems to want to try everything," added the student. "In college everyone is more mature. They go off-campus if they do anything excessive. I don't

drink or use drugs, but I am never pressured about it. People are more mature. I've been in every room on my wing, and I've never seen alcohol or drugs directly."

A student living in apartment 'A' who also asked to remain anonymous expressed his views.

"Last year there were a lot of drugs and alcohol on campus, but this year I couldn't tell you," he said.

Another student who asked to remain anonymous felt that alcohol was of more concern than drugs in the dormitories.

"Alcohol yes, drugs no," he said. "Yes, I have witnessed the use of alcohol in the rooms. Not excessively, but periodically in Webster Hall and the apartments. Most of the S.A.'s seem to have the attitude that as long as you don't get too rowdy or cause trouble and bother other people, they are pretty liberal. They don't really enforce it—not to say they approve of it."

"As for drugs, they really crack down on them. It seems there is more of a crackdown on drugs than alcohol."

The student did not feel a change in policy would change the situation.

"If a crackdown was started it might show some effectiveness at the start, but it's something I don't think you can really police effectively," he said.

Allen Cass, a student in apartment 'C' expressed his belief in existing policy and his fellow assistants' abilities to enforce it.

"The policy now is the same as always concerning drugs and drinking on campus," he said. "I don't think it's a major problem. The S.A.'s all enforce the rule as well as they can."

On a Webster Hall door a marijuana-like leaf hangs taped. Several of the doors are decorated with stickers displaying name-brand beer labels. But are these reliable indicators of abuse or a growing problem on campus?

Opinions overall seem to point toward a concern rather than a major problem at Southern.

Stories on these pages were written by students in Newswriting as a class project.

Apartments can be expensive

By Keri James
Staff Reporter

Contrary to popular belief, living in an apartment has just as many disadvantages as living in the dormitories.

Fifteen per cent of all Missouri Southern students live in the dormitories. Most do so for economic reasons and the easy access to the campus.

This means 85 per cent of all students at Southern choose some other place to reside while they are in school. A portion of these persons live in off-campus apartments.

Living in an apartment may be relatively inexpensive if a modest apartment is found, but the expenses can also become outlandish if a fancier apartment is desired.

Lioncrest Apartments, located off Newman Road, are the least expensive units close to the campus. Cost is \$185 per month with a six-month lease contract required along with a \$100 deposit. Arlene Roadway, manager, describes the

apartments:

"They are basically studio apartments with the bedroom at one end of the apartment and the kitchen on the other end with a nice bathroom and two large closets," she said.

Located directly behind the dormitories are the Royal Orleans apartments. Here an apartment can be chosen by the size a person desires. Prices for a one-bedroom, one-bath apartments are \$240 per month. Two-bedroom, one-bath apartments are \$265 per month, and two-bedroom, two-bath apartments are \$305 per month. There is also a deposit of \$150 and a one-year lease contract.

If being close to the College makes no difference, there are The Park apartments, centrally located in Joplin. Studio apartments are \$220 a month, one-bedroom apartments are \$260, two-bedroom apartments are \$300 a month, and three-bedroom apartments are \$370 a month. A deposit of \$75 is also required along with a one-year lease.

Also located in town is the Somerset

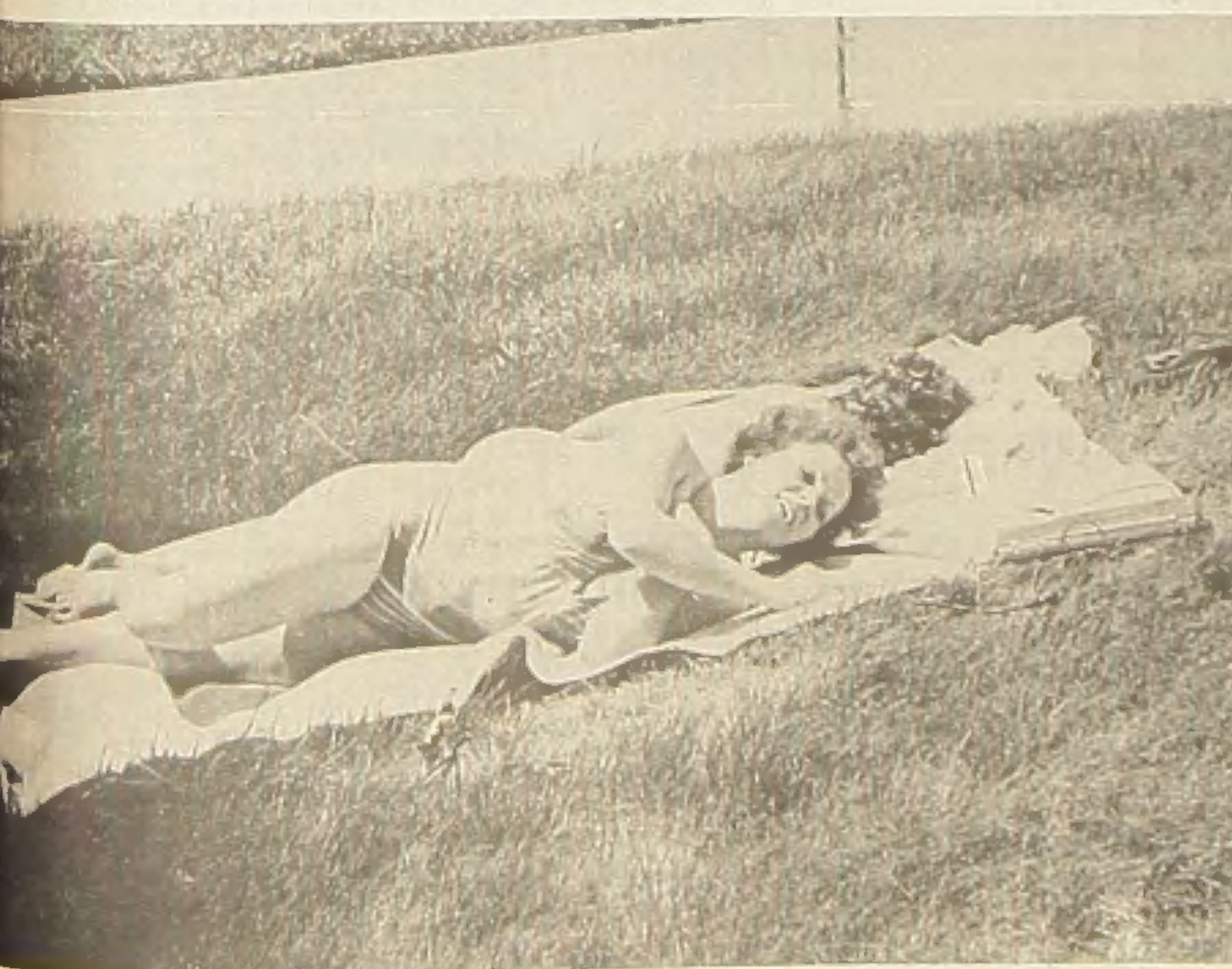
apartments. A one-bedroom apartment is \$275, two-bedroom \$324, and a three-bedroom is \$425 per month. A security deposit of \$300 is required with a standard one-year lease agreement.

Something to remember when looking for an apartment is not just the cost, but also the extras that come with a more expensive apartment. Many of the nice complexes have pools, tennis courts, and extra appliances for apartments, such as garbage disposals.

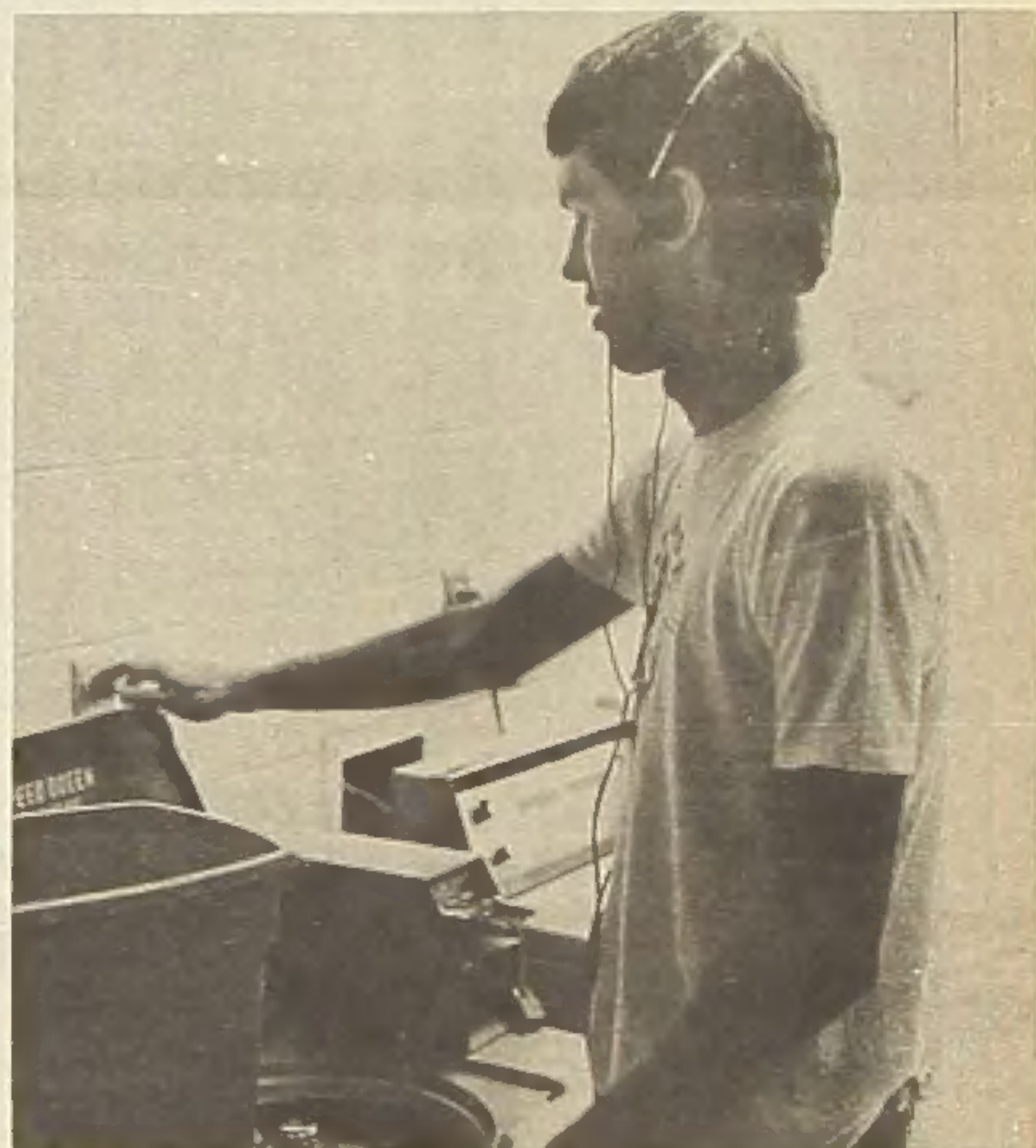
"I guess the main reason I moved out was to feel independent," said Angie Latham, a former dormitory resident. "I really didn't have any problems about living in the dorms, I just wanted to move on."

Dave Watkins, who also lived in the dormitories for a year, said he moved out "basically to study."

"The reason I'm at Southern is to get an education and I have to study," Watkins said. "My hall was really noisy, and I just could not study."



Fun in the sun It's not all studying when you live in the dormitories. These girls opted for an afternoon in the warm sun in place of 'hitting the books' one Spring day. (Chart file photo)



A dormitory student performs a necessary evil of doing laundry, only this time to music. (Chart photo by Rick Evans)

Expansion not in future plans

By Renee Verhoff
Staff Writer

Building new dormitories is not in Missouri Southern's future plans, according to Dr. Glenn Dolence, dean of students.

Dolence said the College residence halls are currently filled to capacity. Of the 4,000-plus students enrolled at Southern, only 15 per cent reside in the dormitories.

Although the dormitories are full, the demand for occupancy has lowered considerably.

"We usually have a waiting list," said Dolence, "but this year we were able to fit everyone in."

Southern does not own its residence halls like many colleges do. According to Dolence, the dormitories are state owned. The cost for living in the dormitories is \$755 per semester, which includes 20 meals per week. The only source of money that goes into the dormitories is what the students pay out.

Vacancy seems to be a word used frequently around the state. "Some residence halls are being closed because they are not needed anymore," Dolence said after talking to other colleges. "They are turning them into meeting rooms for college use."

Ed Hayden, director of housing at Pittsburg State University, said dormitories there are not full.

"We are not planning on building any at present. We are just going to remodel the ones already on campus," Hayden said.

"Crowder College dormitories are packed this year," said Anne Westfall, a student services staff member at Crowder College in Neosho. "We had a waiting list, but we were able to fit everyone in."

"This is the first year for being completely full," she said. "We had more women than men, so we put some of the women in the men's dormitories in order to accommodate everyone."

Waunita Wade, administrative assistant at Central Missouri State University, said dormitories there are not full.

"They were full in the beginning," she said. "In fact, we had a waiting list, but as students joined sororities and fraternities, they moved out. We closed our hall and converted it into apartments, and we opened two halls that had been closed."

Wade said CMSU has no future plans to build new dormitories.

Southwest Missouri State University dormitories are filled to capacity, according to Arnold Townsends, director of housing.

"There was a waiting list at the beginning of the year, but everyone has fit in," he said. "There are no plans for new dormitories to be built, but it is our hope that it will be considered."

Dolence feels that living on campus helps the student get more out of college.

"You seem to miss out on the friends and student activities that go along with college," said Dolence. "Learning doesn't go on in just the classroom."

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Arts Tempo

Pottery sale opens

Fowler's class offering dishwasher safe pottery at reasonable prices

Glazed stoneware pieces made by students in Jon Fowler's pottery class go on sale today in the lobby of Missouri Southern's Fine Arts Building.

"All the pottery for sale can be used," said Fowler, director of the art department. "It contains no lead, so people don't have to worry about getting lead poisoning. It is also dishwasher safe."

The prices are reasonable, according to Fowler, with proceeds going directly to the students. "I don't think we have anything priced over \$35, and there are items priced at only \$1."

A variety of pieces are included in the exhibit from simple cups, saucers, and plates to more intricate oil lamps, candle holders, and hummingbird feeders.

Examples of porcelain (pottery made of pure white clay) and stoneware (pottery produced of earth-colored clay) are included in the show.

Two "firings" give the pottery its color and durability. In the bisque firing the temperature of the kiln is lower (1,800 degrees), and the pottery is heated long enough to withstand handling. Pieces receive glaze and coloring in the second firing (2,340 degrees) as chemicals in the clay melt and fuse to the ob-

jects' surface.

"This is our seventh year for the event," said Fowler, "and a lot of interested persons have already called wanting to know when the pottery will go on sale. The quality of the pottery is good."

"Many of my students have taken my class four or five times. They just audit the class because they love it. Some of these students are art majors, some are not. I also have quite a few non-traditional students enrolled in the course."

Students offering pieces for sale in the current show include John Spicer, Jobi Spicer, Robert Whitehead, Jeff Jones, Mary Morgan, Gretchen Gripp, Elania Edman, Vicki Todd, Carl Sanders, Renee Mort, and Dr. Edward Merriam, dean of the school of education and psychology.

Items will be on display from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday and from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sundays until Dec. 19. Watercolors, drawings, prints, and paintings will also be in the show.

The new lobby display area is immediately adjacent to the fine arts parking lot on the corner of Newman and Duquesne Roads. For further information, persons may contact the art department at 624-8100, Ext. 263.



On sale This pottery by Gretchen Gripp, biology major, will be sale in lobby of the Fine Arts Building. (Chart photo by Barb Fullerton)

Ste. Genevieve sponsoring playwright contest

As part of its 250th anniversary, Ste. Genevieve, the oldest town in Missouri, is sponsoring a playwright contest. The competition is open to anyone, and the winning entry will receive \$1,000 in cash and a world premiere production.

Keeping with the nature of event, the play must be written about a Missouri historical theme. Other specifications include: a cast of no more than seven actors, although parts may be doubled;

staging is limited to simple props and small pieces; and the theme from Missouri of regional history, preferably pertinent to Ste. Genevieve.

The winning entry will be tried out at Washington University, St. Louis, before being presented in a series of performances in June 1985, in Orris Theatre in Ste. Genevieve.

Funding of the competition is provided by the Performing Arts Council of Ste. Genevieve, the Ste. Genevieve 250th Celebration Com-

mission, and the St. Louis Playwright's Festival at Washington University. The Missouri Arts Council will support the production costs, in part, through a grant.

Submissions will be taken from Feb. 1, 1985, through April 15, 1985. Entries and inquiries should be sent to Professor Joseph Roach, St. Louis Playwright's Festival, c/o Performing Arts, Box 1108, Washington University, St. Louis, Mo. 63130.

Program for artists now available with MAC

Experienced artists may apply to the Missouri Arts Council for the AIE (Artists-In-Education Program) through Dec. 14.

Artists or art groups working in the program are given specific projects and placed in schools and communities where they can share their unique skills and perceptions in residencies ranging from two weeks to one year. AIE's primary goal is to stimulate individual creativity through frequent and focused contact between artists and students.

A roster listing the names of those artists chosen for the AIE is

supplied to sponsors who subsequently pay established fees to the artists.

Interviews for the program are scheduled for the week of Feb. 18, 1985. Artists interested in applying should contact Michael Roberts, St. Louis Chapter of Young Audiences, 5615 Pershing, Suite 24, St. Louis, Mo. 63112; (314) 367-1400, or Julie Metzler, Kansas City Chapter of Young Audiences, 900 1/2 Westport Road, Kansas City, Mo. 64111; (816) 531-4022.

Applications are also being accepted by the Council for financial support of arts programs from

Missouri-based public agencies or institutions. Art areas considered for the funding include dance, literature, media, multi-discipline, music, theatre, and visual arts. Assistance of up to 50 per cent will be provided to those programs selected.

Deadline for the applications is Jan. 4, 1985. Application forms can be obtained by contacting the Missouri Arts Council, Wainwright Office Complex, 111 N. 7th St., Suite 105, St. Louis, Mo. 63101; (314) 444-6845.

By Simon McCaffery
Staff Book Reviewer

Firefox Down!, by Craig Thomas
Bantam (1983)

It's not easy being a writer of espionage thrillers. Not at all.

The writer's resources can be limiting at times. The clay the espionage writer works seems invariably the same—daring heroes, seductive Russian double-agents, not-so-seductive Russian agents, the CIA, the FBI, the KGB, wire taps, booby traps, secret missions, and sudden death. Originality can become elusive, and that's just the tip of the iceberg.

Good writing elements must be introduced and interlocked like a precise chemical equation if the novel is to be properly volatile: concept plus imagination, experience, preparation, plot and timing, drama, and solid characters equal a tight thriller.

This formula must be respected and implemented—demanding readers are hard on authors of bungled, viscous thrillers. Espionage novels run in two distinct veins; books that consume your time like a fire or books that cure insomnia. Readers demand solid entertainment and escape. Second hand bookstores are filled with dimly priced novels, jackets discarded, which were written by authors who fail to deliver.

Thrillers have proved to be marketable over the last 20 years or so. Authors such as Follett, Ludlum, Forsythe, and Le Carre have battled their way to the bestselling lists and are among the best in the genre. This is not to say they have not written a poor book or two, they have. But at least one of their novels exhibited the necessary elements.

Craig Thomas, writer of espionage thrillers, has published his seventh, *Firefox Down!*. While Thomas does not yet rank with the likes of Follett or Ludlum, he is a definite contender on the rise. *Firefox Down!* is easily Thomas' best endeavor to date. After nearly a decade of espionage writing, he is finally beginning to master the superior mechanics of the thriller.

Firefox Down! is a direct sequel

to Thomas' first novel, the best-selling *Firefox*. Readers will immediately discover Thomas has matured as a writer since the 1979 publication of *Firefox*. The difference in the two novels is considerable. *Firefox* is an inferior piece of fiction in almost every sense. Despite this fact, it was a strong seller and was eventually filmed by Warner Bros. two years ago.

Firefox pushed the outside of an envelope (as the old test-pilot expression goes) but failed due to Thomas' lack of writing experience. Mitchell Gant, the Vietnam-scarred hero of the novel was flat and lifeless. Gant had a lot of potential the author did not bring out. He was continually upstaged by the Firefox jet, which tended to lower the novel's overall quality. Intriguing characters make a good novel, not supersonic, radar-invisible hardware. The novel's dialogue is dismal and the supporting characters are indistinct.

"Bestseller" is not synonymous with "great novel."

I picked up a copy of *Firefox Down!* out of curiosity with no intention of reviewing the novel, fearing the sequel to be even worse. However, I look at the first three chapters changed my mind.

Firefox Down! succeeds where the original novel failed. Gant displays a dimension he previously lacked. Elements of his personality have been expanded and reworked, breathing fresh life into his character. The Firefox plane is more thoroughly researched and described—readers who know little about the workings of a modern fighterplane will experience the ride. Most important, the plane steps back and lets the characters carry the novel.

Thomas' timing and chapter construction is 100 per cent better. The novel progresses at a constantly accelerating rate. There is even some genuine tension generated.

Thomas is to be applauded for his continuing work. He is always improving his writing, novel by novel. Better to gradually improve your novels than be an established, acclaimed author turning out bestselling garbage that flows slower than Mrs. Butterworth syrup.

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The Sports Scene

Conference lead up for grabs Saturday

CSIC-leading Southern, Wayne State to meet in Hughes Stadium on 'Parent's Day'

"Prepare for air attack" might be the call of coach Jim Frazier this Saturday against Wayne State. The Lions entertain the Wildcats at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in Hughes Stadium. The game is part of the "Parents' Day" festivities on campus.

Southern, Wayne State, and Kearney State are tied for the Central States Intercollegiate Conference lead with 4-1 league records. Wayne State is 7-2 overall, Southern is 5-2.

In the series between the two clubs, which began in 1976 with the formation of the CSIC, the Lions hold a 6-1-1 advantage.

After winning their second straight game on the road last Saturday, a 22-15 victory over Fort

Hays State, Frazier and the Lions are preparing for Wayne State's "run and shoot offense."

"They'll throw the ball 50 times and if they connect only 10 per cent of the time, you may have five touchdowns right there," said Frazier.

Wayne State leads the CSIC in total offense and in passing offense. The Wildcats are averaging 393 total yards per game, including 329 through the air. Wayne State has thrown for 22 touchdowns, but has been intercepted 28 times.

"When they throw the ball, every player has an equal opportunity to catch the ball," said Frazier, "and that's what we are going to have to do—create some interceptions. But it's something we haven't done up

to this point."

Wayne State quarterback Ed Jochum has passed for 2,572 yards, but in the conference. His favorite receivers are Matt Hoffman and Sonny Jones, who each have caught six touchdown passes.

"We will have to put pressure on the quarterback and not give him 5.5 seconds to throw the ball," said Frazier. "They are committed to this concept, and they are not going to change. We will have to put the pressure on and force the interceptions."

This will make the fourth year in a row that the Lions have had the opportunity to win the conference championship. Southern faces Washburn, 1-7, next weekend at home to close out the regular

season.

"Every year it's somebody else and us," said Frazier. "Last year it was Washburn, the year before Fort Hays. We work hard, have the preparation, and the opportunity. I want the senior class to finish strong for our program to be successful."

Frazier called Southern's victory over Fort Hays a "team win. We dominated the ballgame in the second half," he said.

"We ran 44 plays in the second half alone, and the final drive of the ballgame was very good and showed the good football team we have."

The outstanding players in Saturday's game, according to Frazier, were fullback Keith

Chambers and center Jamie Nowak.

"Keith Chambers played his best game at Missouri Southern," said Frazier. "His complete play all around was excellent. I was very pleased with the way Jamie stepped in at center and kept things under control."

Frazier also cited Kevin Ziegler and Jerry Powell for outstanding defensive play.

"Kevin Ziegler has given us two games in a row of good play, and we're very pleased to have Jerry Powell back in the line-up," said Frazier. "Jerry adds a stabilizing effect and is like a coach on the field."

Volleyball team claims league championship

Lady Lions to host NAIA District 16 tournament in Young this weekend

Coach Pat Lipira's volleyball team wrapped up its first Central States Intercollegiate Conference championship last weekend.

Kearney State's defeat over Missouri Western assured Southern of the conference title. Southern and Western were tied for the conference coming into the final weekend of play.

The Lady Lions finished 12-2 in CSIC play and 38-5 overall entering this weekend's NAIA District 16 Tournament in Young Gymnasium. Southern opened play by beating district rival Drury 15-8, 15-6, and 15-10.

Becky Gettemeier led the Lions against Drury with 17 service points while teammates Tina

Roberts had 18 digs and Jody Rule added 19 assists. Roberts also downed nine kills while Lil Hawthorne had 10 kills. Cindy Lauth had six blocks.

Lipira's team opened CSIC competition by beating Fort Hays State University 15-12, 15-13, and 17-15.

Roberts led the team with 25 service points while Rule added 22 assists. Dena Cox helped pace the team with 20 digs and five blocks.

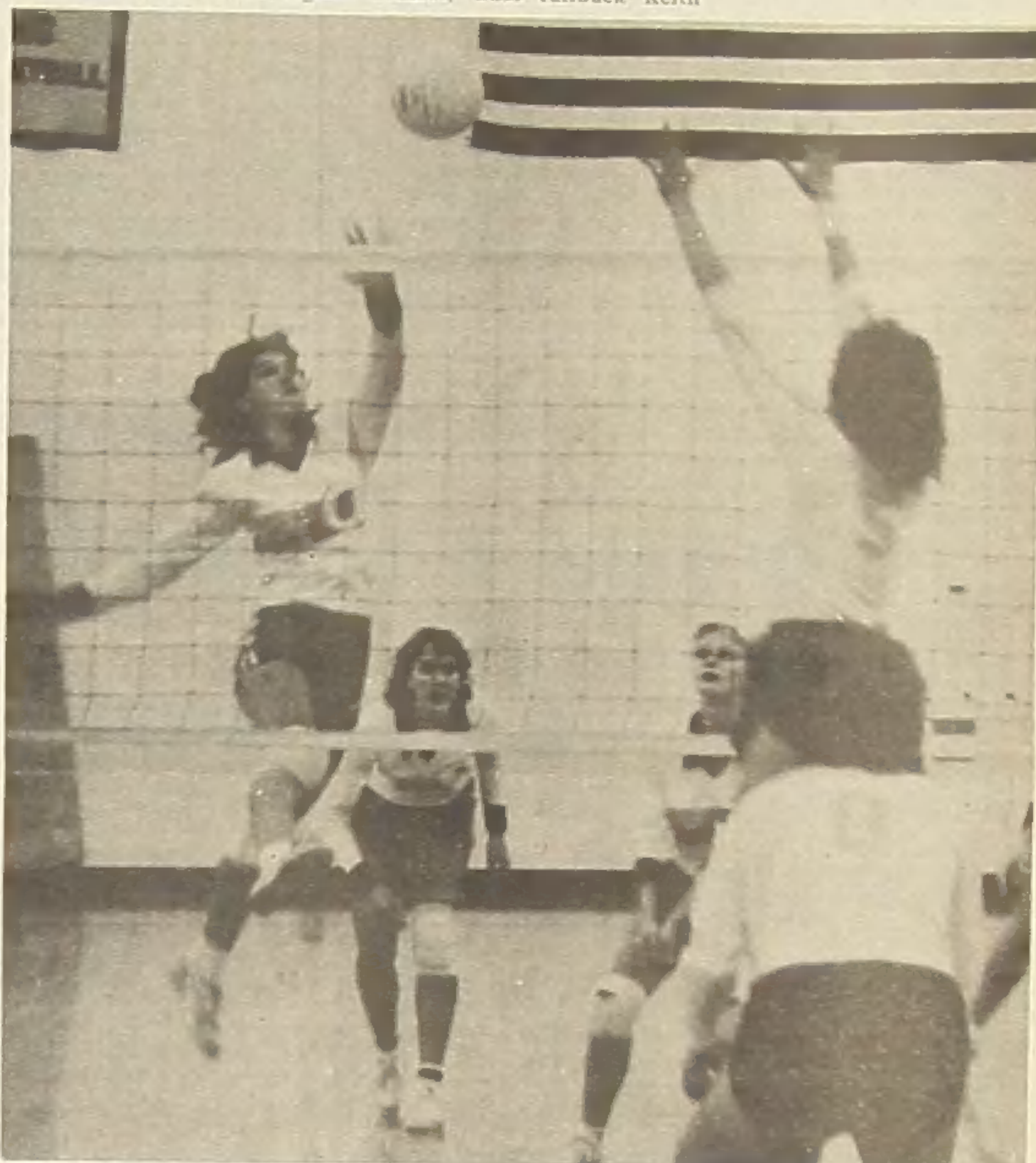
Southern, ranked ninth in the nation, opened Saturday's play by beating Wayne State 15-12, 15-4, and 15-3.

The Lady Lions also turned back Emporia State 15-7, 15-5, and 15-11 in the second match.

Team participation was the key to last weekend's victories. Hawthorne added nine kills while Roberts and Lauth had eight apiece.

Lauth and freshman Shelly Hodges each had three blocks. Gettemeier had 21 service points and 10 digs. Cunningham added 20 assists, Cox 11 digs, and Rule 10 digs.

Roberts had nine kills against Emporia State. Gettemeier led in digs with 17 and blocks with two. Cunningham had 25 service points and 24 assists.



Park College ousts soccer Lions 3-1 in District 16 playoffs

Missouri Southern's 1984 season officially ended Wednesday with a 3-1 loss to Park College in the first round of the NAIA District 16 playoffs.

Rockhurst, a 4-1 winner over Harris-Stowe State College in the other semifinal game, will meet Park College for the district title.

It was Park's second victory over Coach Hal Bodon's Lions this season. Park, ranked 11th in the NAIA, prevailed 1-0 in an earlier game.

Sophomore Mike Stiltner scored Southern's only goal in the 3-1

playoff defeat. The Lions end the season with an 11-8-2 record.

Southern gained a playoff berth with its 3-1 victory Friday over Tarkio College in Hughes Stadium.

Mike Bodon scored for Southern early in the first half, with the assist coming from Jamel Shaheen. After Tarkio tied the score, Vince Beckett assisted Mike Bryson on the go-ahead goal before halftime.

Mark Christensen tallied an unassisted goal to wrap up the victory for the Lions. There were 20 shots on goal for Southern. Duane McCormick had six goalie saves.

Stiltner was ejected from the game during the second half.

Bryson finishes his career at Southern as the all-time leading scorer with 59 goals. During the regular season he led the team with 81 shots on goal and 20 goals. He also assisted on seven goals.

Tom Davidson ended with 40 shots on goal, 10 goals, and eight assists. Forty-one shots on goal, eight goals, and six assists were accumulated by senior John Crimmins. Mike Bodon had 20 shots on goal, seven goals, and six assists. Christensen assisted on six goals.

had 50 shots on goal, and tallied seven goals. Stiltner accounted for 31 shots on goal, seven assists, and four goals. Steve Triplett assisted on two goals and shot six while having 48 shots on goal.

Freshman goalie Duane McCormick ended with 115 saves and 6½ shutouts.

All together the Lions had 404 shots on goal and accounted for 69 goals. Southern's opponents had 258 shots on goal and scored 25 goals.

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Rehearsal

William Elliott, associate professor of music, instructs a chamber music group. (Chart photo by Richard Williams)

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Board

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campus when it doesn't say anything about minority enrollment increases at other institutions."

On the other side of the argument is Rep. Jim Murphy, 95th District. "This report is like a breath of fresh air in a field that has become an arena of self-interest; a refusal to change to new demands; a field where oftentimes the needs of the educators seem to outweigh the needs of the students; a field where local economic interests dominate educational needs; a field manipulated and used by politicians for self-serving goals and lastly a field which will determine Missouri's future in our industrial society," he said.

In Murphy's speech he made his own recommendations. "The Missouri legislature is being held hostage to an established educational hierarchy that can't deliver or allocate resources based on need."

He stated that Missouri is "overcolleged in some areas." He recommended that Northwest Missouri State University be merged with Missouri Western; Missouri Southern be merged with Southwest Missouri State University; Northeast Missouri State University remain a regional college and not be the public liberal arts college of the state; Harris-Stowe be merged with UMSL; and that

Southeast Missouri State University change the northern boundary of its service area from the Missouri to the Meramec River to "avoid overlapping of competition for students in the St. Louis area."

Reverend William G. Gillespie, Chairman, Harris-Stowe State College Board of Regents, said, "We believe the mission of Harris-Stowe should be expanded. We do not feel our college should be sacrificed for sake of expediency."

Representative Michael David, from the district where Harris-Stowe is located, said, "The recommendation is a slap in the face to the people of St. Louis. I do

not question the motivations of the Board. I feel they are in grave error and urge you to reject them."

James O'Flynn, Executive Director of the Regional Commerce and Growth Association, said, "The St. Louis business community is highly committed to higher education. We are in an economic revolution that places a growing demand on our institutions."

He went on to say, "We lack a publicly supported university granting graduate and undergraduate degrees. And thus we are limited in our ability to compete in a high technological environment. We should upgrade UMSL to a level com-

parable to UMKC."

Senator Bass from the 4th senatorial district and an alumnus of Harris-Stowe said, "We must take a look at how we range public hearings and the costs we serve. I am against the merger against the separation of UMSL from the university system."

"I recommend that Harris-Stowe be granted a statutory provision which would permit Harris-Stowe to be added in the secondary teacher education program at St. Louis."

He also commended the Board for strengthening of the higher education system in Missouri.

Regents

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In new business, Dr. Paul Shipman, vice president for business affairs, gave the financial report. Shipman said receipts for September total \$627,492.23, with expenditures totalling \$1,001,820.27. He said a majority of these expenditures were for equipment in the television studio, and the purchase of personal computers campus-wide.

Concerning reroofing projects taking place on campus, Shipman said the workers were waiting for the flashing to be fabricated before the roofing materials would be installed. Work on resealing the parking lots and streets on campus has been delayed due to inclement weather, Shipman said.

President Julio Leon gave a "brief, but good" report concerning activities with the Coordinating Board for Higher Education meeting in St. Louis last weekend.

"The Board accepted the recommendations of fiscal year 1986," Leon said. "Missouri Southern is recommended to get \$9,376,000 for that period. That is a 22.1 per cent increase over what we received this year."

Leon went on to say the recommendations were only the first step of the process, and that the recommendations must go through the Governor and the legislature before being formally approved.

"Traditionally, colleges and universities have not received all of their recommendations," Leon said.

Leon also said two appropriations were recommended for Missouri Southern. One was a \$70,000 allocation for development of the Learning Center, and another concerned \$240,000 for "correcting historical inequities in the College budget."

"When compared to other institutions," Leon said, "the formula has not been kind

to Missouri Southern. This was an effort by the Coordinating Board to correct that particular problem."

Leon said Southeast Missouri State University and Harris-Stowe State College would also be receiving monies from historical inequities.

The President then congratulated the Regents concerning the portion of budget used for instruction.

"I was asked by the Coordinating Board to congratulate the Board of Regents for putting more emphasis on instruction," Leon said. "Missouri Southern has used 53.6 per cent of its budget for instruction, and that is the highest in the state of Missouri."

In other business, a constitution submitted by the campus chapter of the Joplin Jaycees was approved by the Board.

The next meeting of the Board will be on Friday, Nov. 30.

Senate

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A possibility was also discussed that would integrate computer software into a course presently offered by the department, "Instructional Media," but Merzlyman said there "simply isn't room for it" in the course.

A proposal for internships in physical therapy procedures was approved by the Senate for health, physical education, and recreation.

Proposals adding three hours history requirements, three hours geography requirements, and clarifying history major requirements for BSE degrees were also approved by the Senate.

A controversial proposal, "Human Sexuality," was amended by the Senate and was narrowly approved with a 7-6 vote. The controversy centered around Section VI, part Five of the proposal, which requires the student to participate in a field trip designed to give the student a "new

experience." Suggestions for the field trip before the amended version included a massage parlor, nudist gay bar, and single bar.

The amended version deletes the suggestions, and now reads: "You (this requirement as an opportunity) to do something you might consider inappropriate, e.g., trip to an X-rated movie or night club, listen to a sermon or lecture relevant to your insight to expand your knowledge and views from a personally enriching perspective."

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